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SUBJECT: MEXICAN-SPANISH RELATIONS

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1. THE PRESS CARRIED STORIES TODAY SAYING THAT THE SPANISH GOVT-IN-EXILE IN MEXICO HAS BEEN DISSOLVED, EITHER BY THE GOM OR BY SOME FORM OF AUTO-DISSOLUTION, PRESUMABLY UNDER GOM PRESSURE. THE STORIES PROPERLY CITED THIS AS THE ESSENTIAL PRELIMINARY TO ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, PERHAPS IMMEDIATELY, BETWEEN MEXICO AND SPAIN.

2. THESE REPORTS MENTION THAT TIerno GALVAN MET WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO. TIerno HAS BEEN THE SPANISH ESTABLISHMENT'S PET SOCIALIST, AND IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT THE GOS ASKED HIM TO DO SOMETHING WHILE IN MEXICO. AT THE SAME TIME, TIerno'S PRINCIPAL REASON FOR TRAVEL IS TIED TO SPANISH POLITICS, TO SECURE MEXICAN BACKING OR TO GIVE THE APPEARANCE OF IT FOR HIS SMALL POPULAR SOCIALIST PARTY AS PART OF TIerno'S CONTINUING, TO DATE UNSUCCESSFUL, RIVALRY WITH THE MOST IMPORTANT SPANISH SOCIALIST GROUP, THE EUROPEAN-RECOGNIZED PSOE OF FELIPE GOMZALEZ.

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3. IT BEING A HOLIDAY (ST. JOSEPH'S DAY) NO ONE IS AVAILABLE AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. BUT ON MONDAY WE SHALL GET A STATUS REPORT FROM THE MINISTRY ON WHERE THE QUESTION OF MEXICAN-SPANISH RELATIONS PRECISELY STANDS.EATON

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